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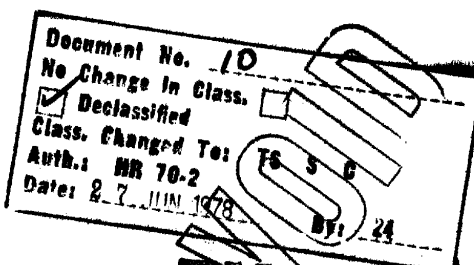
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1. It has been reported from Ecuador that political tension is mounting and that the government has alerted army units throughout the country in expectation of a coup to be attempted by Carlos Guevara Moreno prior to the congressional elections on 4 June. However, the government fears that army units in southern Ecuador, i.e., in the Guayas, Loja, and El Oro provinces and in the area surrounding Cuenca, will support Guevara rather than the government in the event of a coup. Guevara is reported to have offered army enlisted personnel a 50 percent pay increase in return for their support.* The Guardia Civil in the Guayaquil area is considered inadequate for putting down a Guevara-led revolt there alone.
2. Guevara Moreno was reported to have made a clandestine trip to Quito on or about 19 May 1950 to confer with his collaborators there. One of his Guayaquil agents arrived in Quito on 27 May with a message for Gonzalo Jacone, an intimate friend of Guevara's and the director of his activities in the Quito area, saying that the stage was set for the coup.

25X1A *Cf. [REDACTED] of 16 March 1950 which reported the extent to which Guevara Moreno had already undermined the loyalty of the troops in the Guayaquil area.

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